Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A performance management method for <u>managing</u> performance of a computer system having a performance management computer for <u>monitoring states of a program and a system resource of a business computer, the performance management method comprising:</u>

displaying a menu for setting a policy and accepting an input from a user, and acquiring the policy by the performance management computer for conducting a process for acquiring the policy set by the user;

setting and managing a basic structure which represents a basic monitoring structure for monitoring the program and the system resource, based on the acquired policy;

collecting business information on a business configuration from a

management product group used in the business computer and generating and

managing correlation information which represents correlation of the program and
the system resource of the business computer, in accordance with the acquired
policy;

generating monitoring structure information which represents a structure for monitoring the program and the system resource by merging the generated correlation information in accordance with the basic structure; and

displaying a monitoring structure based on the generated monitoring structure information. -monitoring states of programs and system resources and managing

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performance of a computer system, the performance management method comprising the steps of: referring to business information representing programs and system resources used in computers, and generating and managing correlation information representing correlations among them; and generating monitoring structure information in accordance with the generated correlation information, the monitoring structure information representing a structure for monitoring the programs and system resources.

- 2. (Original) The performance management method according to claim 1, wherein the monitoring structure information is generated so as to be different from user to user in accordance with a policy set by a user.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The performance management method according to claim 2, wherein contents of a-the menu for setting the policy are altered from user to user.
- 4. (Original) The performance management method according to claim 3, wherein a part or whole of the policy is set by using preset contents.
- 5. (Original) The performance management method according to claim 4, wherein the correlation information is generated by a business information integration DB subjected to mirroring of business information using a storage technique including a SAN (Storage Area Network).

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- 6. (Currently Amended) The performance management method according to claim 5, wherein an alteration in the business information is detected and the monitoring structure information is updated <u>responsive to the detected alteration</u>.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The performance management method according to claim 6, wherein the monitoring structure information is updated on the <u>a</u> basis of a difference between before and after the alteration in the business information.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The performance management method according to claim 7, wherein the correlation information is generated by referring to only the business information containing information of necessary programs or system resources, on the a basis of the policy.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A performance management <u>computer</u> system for <u>managing performance of a computer system having a performance management</u> <u>computer for monitoring states of a program and a system resource of a business computer, the performance management computer system comprising:</u>

an acquiring device configured to display a menu for setting a policy and accept an input from a user, and to acquire the policy by the performance management computer for conducting a process for acquiring the policy set by the user;

a setting device configured to set and manage a basic structure which represents a basic monitoring structure for monitoring the program and the system resource, based on the acquired policy;

a collection device configured to collect business information on a business configuration from a management product group used in the business computer and generate and manage correlation information which represents correlation of the program and the system resource of the business computer, in accordance with the acquired policy;

a structure generator device configured to generate monitoring structure information which represents a structure for monitoring the program and the system resource by merging the generated correlation information in accordance with the basic structure; and

a display device configured to display a monitoring structure based on the generated monitoring structure information. —monitoring states of programs and system resources and managing performance of a computer system, the performance management system comprising: a relation management unit for referring to business information representing programs and system resources used in computers, and generating and managing correlation information representing correlations among them; and a monitoring structure generation unit for generating monitoring structure information in accordance with the generated correlation information, the monitoring structure information representing a structure for monitoring the programs and system resources.

10. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-readable medium embodying a</u> program for <u>managing performance of a computer system having a performance</u> <u>management computer for monitoring states of a program and a system resource of a business computer, the program, when executed, effecting the operations comprising:</u>

displaying a menu for setting a policy and accepting an input from a user, and acquiring the policy by the performance management computer for conducting a process for acquiring the policy set by the user;

setting and managing a basic structure which represents a basic monitoring structure for monitoring the program and the system resource, based on the acquired policy;

collecting business information on a business configuration from a

management product group used in the business computer and generating and
managing correlation information which represents correlation of the program and
the system resource of the business computer, in accordance with the acquired
policy;

generating monitoring structure information which represents a structure for monitoring the program and the system resource by merging the generated correlation information in accordance with the basic structure; and

information. making computers function as a performance management system, which monitors states of programs and system resources and manages performance of a computer system, the program for making computers function as: a relation management unit for referring to business information representing programs and

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system resources used in computers, and generating and managing correlation information representing correlations among them; and a monitoring structure generation unit for generating monitoring structure information in accordance with the generated correlation information, the monitoring structure information representing a structure for monitoring the programs and system resources.